TRAFFIC ADVISORY



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

STORM ROAD INFORMATION BULLETIN

3:00 p.m.

Oakland – Heavy storms have impacted Bay Area freeways, highways and bridges. As heavy rains and high winds make their way through the area, travel for motorists has become increasingly difficult. Localized flooding and mudslides can occur anytime blocking ramps, lanes and shoulders. High winds and heavy rain can make travel across bridges treacherous for high-profile vehicles.

Caltrans crews are in the field clearing drains and debris and posting warning signs where possible, but conditions can change rapidly. Motorists are strongly cautioned to delay trips when possible and drive very carefully if they are on the road as crews may not have reached a particular area yet.

Statewide road information is available at 1-800-427-7623. Visit 511.org or call 511 for current traffic conditions including incident information, traffic speeds and driving times.

Current road conditions for the Bay Area are:

Alameda

All roads are being watched for flooding, mudslides, rockslides and potential trees and power lines down.

Contra Costa

State Route 24 Westbound State Route 24 (SR-24) west of Camino Pablo currently

has the 2 left lanes blocked due to an accident involving a big rig. Motorists are advised to expect delays and to use alternate routes. Estimated time of opening is pending.



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Marin

All roads are being watched for flooding, mudslides, rockslides and potential trees and power lines down.

Napa

All roads are being watched for flooding, mudslides, rockslides and potential trees and power lines down.

San Francisco

All roads are being watched for flooding, mudslides, rockslides and potential trees and power lines down.

San Mateo

State Route 35 State Route 35 (SR-35) is closed between Manor and Westborough

due to a fallen tree. Motorists are advised to expect delays and to

use alternate routes. Estimated time of opening is pending.

Santa Clara

State Route 35 Currently closed between Mt. Charlie Road and Hutchinson due to

down power lines. Motorists are advised to expect delays and use alternate routes. Estimated time of opening is 1800 hours (6 pm).

Interstate 280 The northbound Interstate 280 (I-280) on ramp for Stevens Creek

Blvd. is temporarily closed until Caltrans crews repair uneven pavement. The pavement is uneven due to erosion from rainfall. Caltrans expects the ramp to be closed until approximately 5 p.m.

today.

Solano

State Route 113 Closed between Chestnut and Cherry due to down power lines.

Motorists are advised to expect delays and use alternate routes.

Estimated time of opening is pending.

<u>Sonoma</u>

US 101 The number 1 lane on the southbound 101 from Shiloh to Airport

and the southbound Airport off ramp are closed due to flooding.

The northbound Fulton off ramp is also closed at this time.

Motorists are advised to use extra caution in this area and merge

early for the lane closure.

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